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September 11, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

### ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

55 September 18, 2012

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### **RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION FOR A PORTION OF 70TH STREET EAST AND SLOPE EASEMENT NORTH OF AVENUE E AND SOUTH OF AVENUE D IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LANCASTER (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

#### **SUBJECT**

This action will allow the County of Los Angeles to vacate easements for public road, highway, and slope purposes on a portion of 70th Street East north of Avenue E and south of Avenue D in the unincorporated community of Lancaster that are no longer needed for public use. The vacation has been requested by the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, the underlying property owner, in order to provide improvements to the property for the State-Mandated Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant 2020 Facilities Plan.

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Find that the easements for public road, highway, and slope purposes on a portion of 70th Street East north of Avenue E and south of Avenue D in the unincorporated community of Lancaster are excess and that they may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to Section 8334(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code.
3. Find that the easements for public road, highway, and slope purposes on a portion of 70th Street East north of Avenue E and south of Avenue D in the unincorporated community of Lancaster are

not useful as nonmotorized transportation facilities as required by Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

4. Adopt the Resolution of Summary Vacation.

5. Upon approval, authorize the Director of Public Works to record the certified original resolution with the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and allow the County of Los Angeles (County) to vacate the easements for public road, highway, and slope purposes on a portion of 70th Street East north of Avenue E and south of Avenue D (Easements) in the unincorporated community of Lancaster, since they no longer serve the purpose for which they were dedicated and are not required for public use.

#### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1). The vacation of the Easements will reduce the County's exposure to potential liability.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The applicant has paid a \$1,500 fee to defray the expense of the investigation. This amount has been deposited into the Road Fund. The fee was authorized by your Board in a resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321(d) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

#### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The areas to be vacated contain approximately 8.61 acres and are shown on the map that is attached to the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation.

The California Streets and Highways Code Section 8334(a) provides that the legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate any excess right of way of a street or highway not required for street or highway purposes.

The Easements are not useful as nonmotorized transportation facilities as defined in Section 887 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

The County's interest in the Easements was acquired by dedication in Tract No. 30736, filed in Book 793, pages 27 through 33, inclusive; Tract No. 47215, filed in Book 1146, pages 68 through 72, inclusive; and Tract No. 36330, filed in Book 994, pages 91 through 93, inclusive, all of Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County; by documents recorded in Book 14003, page 340, on April 24, 1936; Book 3509, page 223, on September 23, 1924; and Book 3510, page 306, on December 3, 1924, all of Official Records, in the office of said Registrar-Recorder/County

Clerk; and by resolution adopted by your Board in Minute Book 184, Page 360, on December 19, 1932, for public street, highway, and slope purposes.

Paragon Partners, Ltd., on behalf of County Sanitation District No. 14 (Sanitation District), has requested the vacation of the Easements as part of required land for the State-Mandated Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant 2020 Facilities Plan (LWRP 2020). The Easements are located within the boundaries of LWRP 2020. The Sanitation District is the underlying property owner and owns all of the adjacent land to the proposed vacation.

Adoption of the enclosed resolution and the subsequent recordation will terminate the County's rights and interest in the Easements. Your action will result in the properties being unencumbered by the Easements and available to the property owner for use without restriction of the Easements.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines, which state that this class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use, limitations, and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issued and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action will allow the County Sanitation Districts to meet future growth demands by expanding its Lancaster Water Reclamation Plant.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original and one copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Survey/Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of your Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

9/11/2012

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Auditor-Controller (Accounting Division - Asset  
Management)  
Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION  
FOR A PORTION OF 70TH STREET EAST AND SLOPE EASEMENT NORTH OF  
AVENUE E AND SOUTH OF AVENUE D**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of easements for public street, highway, and slope purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easements) in, over, and across the real property legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easements, north of Avenue E and south of Avenue D, are located in the unincorporated community of Lancaster in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
2. The Easements have been determined to be excess and not required for public street or highway purposes.
3. The Easements are not useful as nonmotorized transportation facilities as defined in Section 887 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
4. The Easements are hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9, of the California Streets and Highways Code, commencing with Section 8330.
5. The Director of Public Works, or her designee, is authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easements will be terminated.
6. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, the Easements will no longer constitute a street, highway, or public service easements.

The foregoing resolution was on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOHN F. KRATTLI  
County Counsel

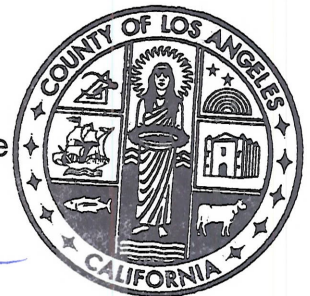
By

Deputy

SACHI A. HAMAI  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By

Deputy



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## EXHIBIT A

Project Name: **70TH STREET EAST  
NORTH OF AVENUE E  
AND SOUTH OF AVENUE D 1-1VAC**

Includes: Parcel No. 1-1VAC.1  
A.I.N. 3302-006, 008, 009, 010, & 011  
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I.M. 384-277  
R.D. 555  
S.D. 5  
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### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

#### **PARCEL NO. 1-1VAC** (Vacation of public road and highway easement):

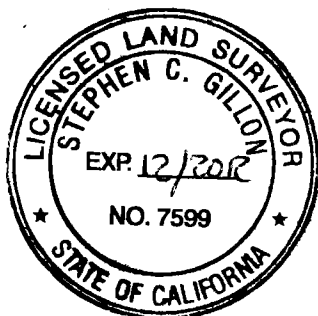
All of those certain portions of 70<sup>TH</sup> STREET EAST, various widths, as shown on map of Tract No. 47215, filed in Book 1146, pages 68 through 72, inclusive, and map of Tract No. 36330, filed in Book 994, pages 91 through 93, inclusive, both of Maps, in the Office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles; and as described in deed to said County, recorded in Book 3509, page 223, of Official Records, in the office of said Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, bounded on the south by the westerly prolongation of the southerly line of Lot 8, as shown on said map of Tract No. 47215, and bounded on the north by the north line of Section 24, Township 8 North, Range 11 West, S.B.M.

Containing: 8.30± acres

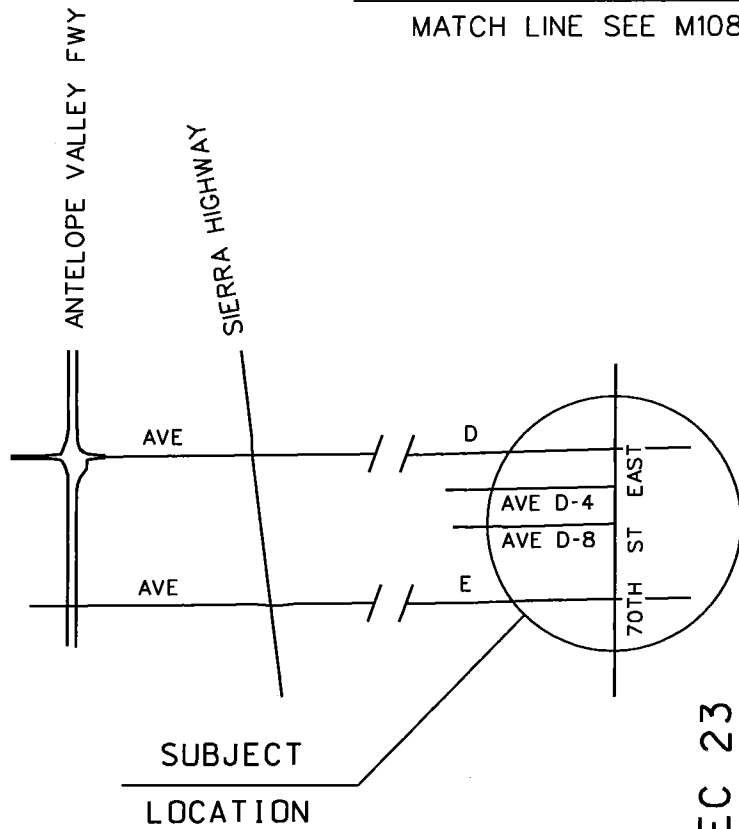
#### **PARCEL NO. 1-1VAC.1** (Vacation of slope easement):

All that certain 10-foot-wide strip of land designated as "10' WIDE SLOPE EASEMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES" on above-mentioned map of Tract No. 36330.

Containing: 13,393± square feet



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VICINITY MAP

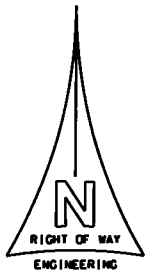


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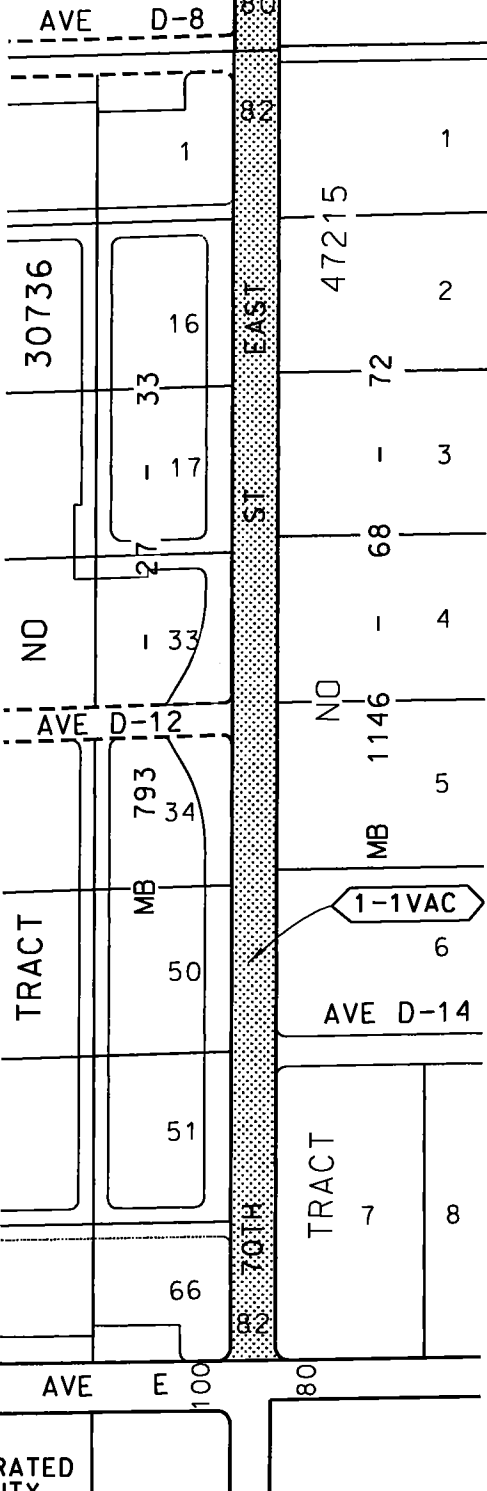
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TRACT

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SEC 24

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LEGEND



Proposed area to be vacated  
Total Area: 8.30±ac.



Proposed slope easement to be vacated  
Total Area: 13,393±sf.

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MAP PREPARED BY: P. HERNANDEZ

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

SURVEY/MAPPING & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

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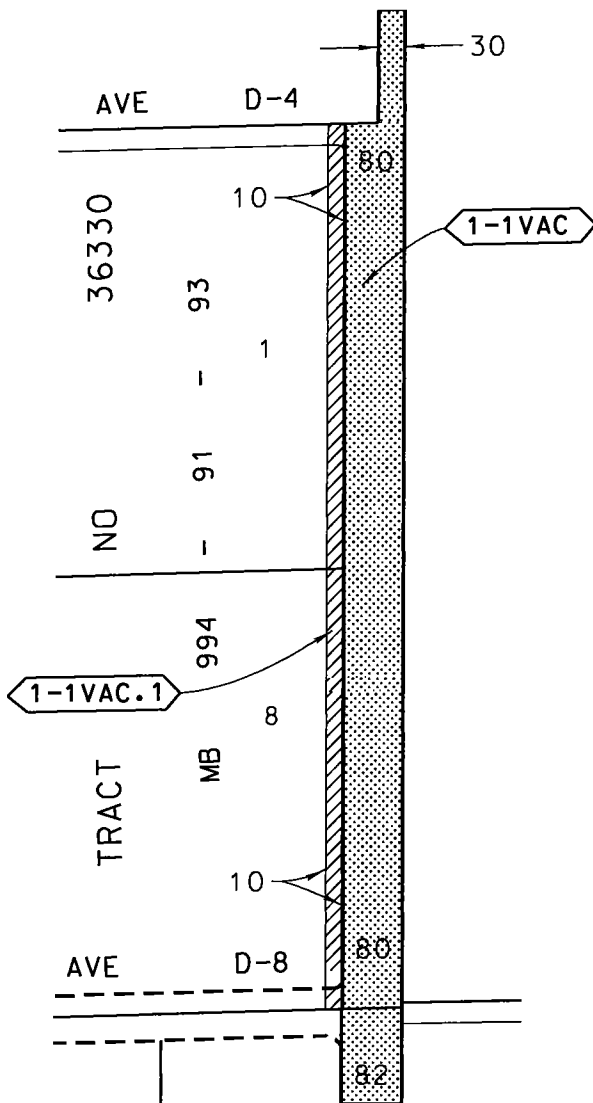
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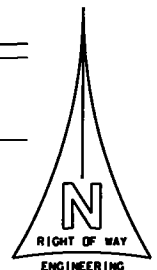
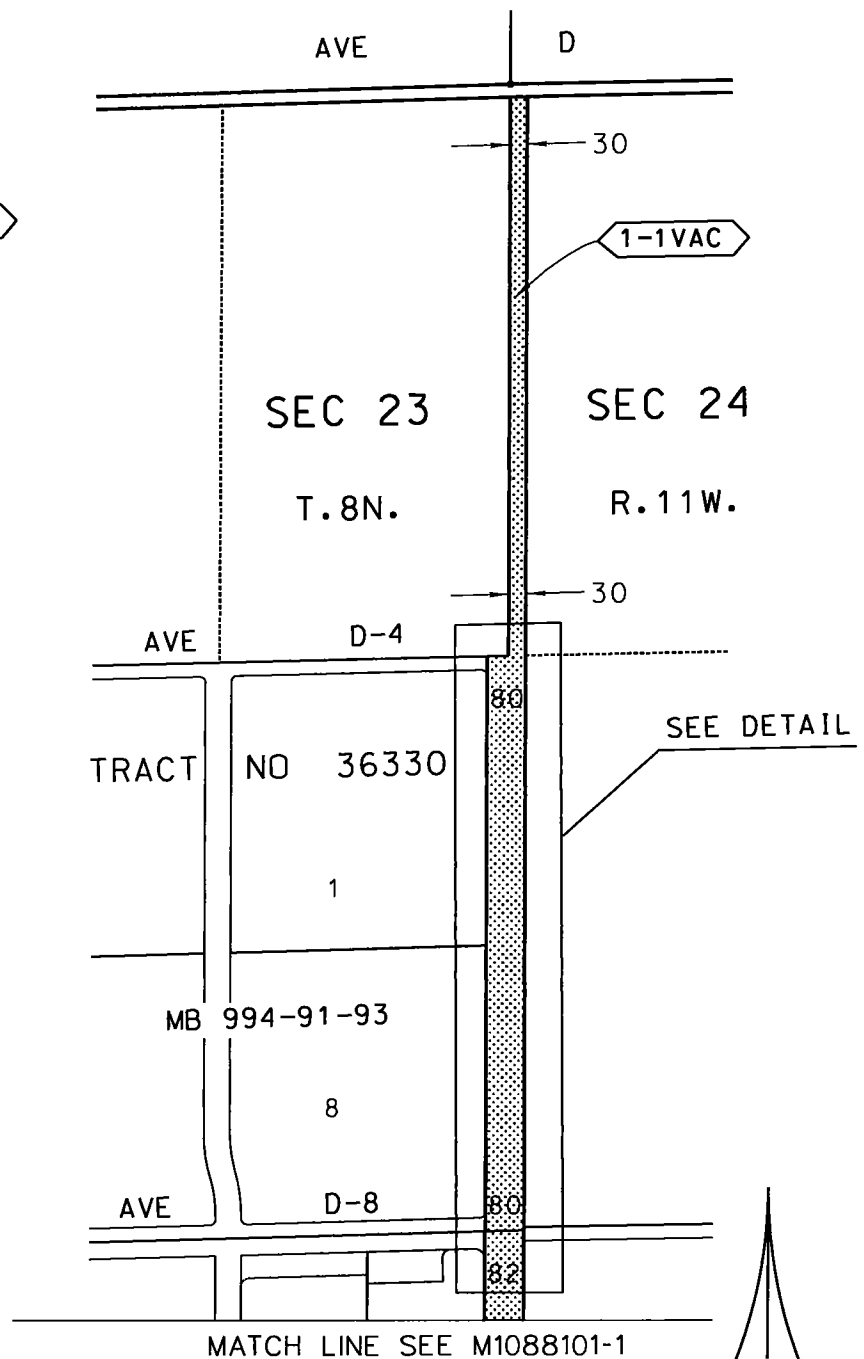
70TH STREET EAST  
N/O AVENUE E  
AND S/O AVENUE D

DRAWING NO.



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DETAIL  
EXHIBIT B



LEGEND

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